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**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO
REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTE PAPERS**

The U.S. Patent Office issued a Request for Substitute Papers, dated April 29, 2002, in connection with the above-referenced patent application. A Response to the Request is due May 13, 2002. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed. A copy of the Request is submitted herein as Exhibit 1.

In the Request, the Patent Office states that the papers filed on 04/22/02 with CD are no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for this application (37 CFR 1.52 (a)) due to the United States Postal Service sanitization process.

Applicants provide herein a copy of the above-identified papers including a Preliminary Amendment, Replacement computer readable form and Substitute paper copy of Sequence listing (Exhibit 2). The enclosed papers are a true and accurate copy of the above-identified papers, which were filed with the USPTO on April 15, 2002. The

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Replacement computer readable form and Substitute paper copy contain no new matter and their entry is respectfully requested.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Response. However, if any fee is necessary, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0306.

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